

MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Commissioners

Staff Director

Deputy Staff Director General Counsel

FROM:

Office of the Commission Secretar

DATE:

March 18, 2002

SUBJECT: Statement Of Reasons for MUR 4982

Attached is a copy of the Statement Of Reasons for MUR 4982 signed by Chairman David M. Mason, Commissioner Bradley A. Smith, and Commissioner Darryl R. Wold.

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cc: Vincent J. Convery, Jr. **OGC Docket (5) Information Division Press Office Public Disclosure**

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Republicans for Clean Air, et al.) MUR 4982

STATEMENT OF REASONS CHAIRMAN DAVID M. MASON, COMMISSIONER BRADLEY A. SMITH, AND COMMISSIONER DARRYL R. WOLD

On January 23, 2002, the Commission considered the First General Counsel's Report dated December 20, 2001, in MUR 4982 and unanimously voted to take no action as to Charles Wyly, Sam Wyly, Republicans for Clean Air, and Bush for President, Inc. and David Herndon, as treasurer. On the basis of the analysis in the report, we supported the General Counsel's recommendations to find no reason to believe that these respondents had violated certain provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and to close the file. These recommendations failed, however, and it was on the same basis that we joined the Commission's unanimous vote simply to take no further action and close the file in this matter.

March 18, 2002

David M. Mason

Chairman

Bradley A. Smith

Commissioner

Darryl R. Wold Commissioner